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Upcoming Aviation Events

► September 13-15 SAAA "AUSFLY" National Convention at NARROMINE NSW www.ausfly.com.au

Hi Terry

I encourage members to go to the Ausfly website and check the updated programme. There are more air displays and more workshops since we last did a mail out. There's now an air display on the Friday. Also a TC refresher course is on the Friday at 10.30. We'd like as many TC's as possible to attend as Andy George will be introducing a new pre-C of A checklist for TC's.

Shirley Harding

SAAA National Councillor

► September 12, CASA AvSafety Seminar at Lethbridge

The CASA AvSafety team will be hosting another of the popular AvSafety Seminars and you are invited to attend.

The Seminar is designed to help you to review latest elements on increasingly important topics and offers a great opportunity to network with other aviation professionals. The focus of this Seminar is on Human factors in aviation and Aviation resources on the net to help with safety aspects in aviation operations.

The Seminar is being held at the Golden Plains Flying School, Lethbridge Airpark, Midland Highway, Lethbridge VIC – commencing 6:00pm.

Registration is FREE and easy to do. Simply go to <http://www.casa.gov.au/avsafety> and follow the Register Now link to confirm your attendance.



Avsafety poster -
Lethbridge - low res.tif

Membership Changes - Terry Dovey

Bruce Ramsay has advised that he is not renewing with SAAA or the Chapter - all the best, Bruce!

Ken Wickland has relinquished his role as a TC - your experience will be missed, Ken.

Social Members, Gary Crowley and Stephen Rooke have not renewed their membership, we wish them well.

(New) President Reports - Mark Davis

I'd like to thank John Bridges for his efforts as President over the last year. Along with many other members, I would have liked to see you continue in the role, and wish you would have been in a position to do so. I have liked your forthright opinions (especially about some of my neighbours here in Essendon), and the fact that you set the bar high and actually got another RV-6 into the air!

"Chapter President", I told Jane, but no congratulations! She was coming to the AGM too, until asked to attend another function with our son. She had intended dissuading me from volunteering. I had intended having a go when Charlie (VH-CRV) is flying, so with no other volunteers, I have pulled that ahead. So, I will give it a good go.

For those who don't know me, I have been a design engineer and a manager with Ford Motor Company for almost 25 years, have been married to Jane for almost as long, and I took my first flying lesson from my first pay at Ford. My flying has been all private, mostly in a wide range of Cessna and Piper singles. I first read about homebuilts and RVs in a magazine called "Hot Homebuilts", with a photo of Bob Herendeen going ballistic on the cover in a Glasair 3. That was the late 1980's, and I hope that Charlie can replace the old Cherokee in the next couple of years. In the meantime, we have added our 4 children (17, 15, 13 and 10), none of

whom seem to have any particular interest in aircraft or flying.....go figure!

As a Chapter, we have plenty of aircraft under construction and a significant number flying. Members seem to enjoy catching up at a hangar visit, and I hope this continues. I received the call from Dan a few months back and the resulting July builders visit was a great event for us. My retired LAME father, David, and I were building the RV together until he became very ill at the end of 2009. His health has improved and the builders visit was kick start the project needed. So, thanks Dan and to those members who attended. We are making progress again and with the tail on, it looks more like it is missing wings now than missing an outboard.

Terry Dovey does a heap of work for the Chapter, serving as treasurer, tool banker, chief training officer, fill-in Hangar Torque editor, and now secretary. Terry has filled in as Chapter secretary since Denis Mexted left to fly out of Japan. We did not get a nomination to fill the secretary's position at the AGM, but we really need to relieve Terry of some responsibility. So, if you can spare a few hours each month to look after some Chapter correspondence etc., please consider volunteering and dropping Terry or me a line. Thanks Terry for the effort; hopefully you can get a few hours back to progress the GlaStar.

And Norm is continuing to edit Hangar Torque, a task he does too well. I don't think Norm minds putting the mag together, but he could really use some more letters, articles, photos, etc , to make it easier.

I'm looking forward to a slow trip in the Cherokee to Narromine for Ausfly in a couple of weeks. Slow flying, but still faster than driving! There are a few other Chapter members going, so let me know if you are planning to go so we can catch up.

Mark
31 August 2012

Roaming Newz Editor Reports - Norm Edmunds (Thursday 30 August)

In Las Vegas, 105 degrees F, gettin hitched today, not by Elvis.

Went to Grand Canyon Skywalk by EC130 on Tuesday, well worth it.

Next stop Anaheim, by road.

Norm

[Editor's note: I had no idea what an "EC130" was so I looked it up – here's a link:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hz7Qcff_3kk

AGM Report - Terry Dovey

Inexplicably we had only 13 members and 3 guests present for the Chapter lunch followed by the AGM at Seasons Bistro, Riddells Creek, on Sunday 26 August. This number was well down on previous years. Those present enjoyed like-minded company combined with excellent service and food.

As you can see from the panel on the front page the Chapter has a new president in Mark Davis. There was no competition for the other positions and we are still in need of a secretary.

Builders Visit Coordinator, Dan O'Sullivan, and Propeller Balance Equipment Officer, Brian Rebbeschi, signed on for another term - thanks guys. I volunteered to continue as Tool Bank Officer.

Four randomly chosen members scored door prizes of Aircraft Spruce 2012/13 catalogues - thanks to Grant & Angela Farrow delivering them hot from LA.

Member's copies of this Newz have attached a copy of the reports delivered to the AGM.



Cwse from back: Darcy Newell, Sue Dovey, Terry Dovey, Donald Ashton, Kim Allen, John McKenzie, Brian Rebbeschi



Cwse from left: John Bridges, Nev Hunter (obscured), Mark Davis, Rodney Ashdowne, Dan O'Sullivan, Peter Clark, Leanne Donald (obscured), Peter Bugg



Another view

Propeller Balance Equipment Officer Report - Brian Rebbechi

To date there has been just one customer - Andrew Rowley, with a Rotax 912 in a RANS S-6). Balance measurement completed successfully - trim balance not required. As Andrew had removed an existing balance weight prior to our balance run, we surmise that it is now better than it was. Current balance level is very low (around 0.05 in/sec peak). Pictures follow of the sensor set-up.



Editor's Note

Electronic copies of photos used in the Newz are available on request!

Builders Visit Report: Terry Dovey

Frank Raffone hosted some 16 members at a builders visit to his project, an RV6A, at his Diggers Rest home.



John Bridges explains his knowledge of the model as Donald Ashton and builder, Frank Raffone, stand by.



A lot of experience in this group!

Thanks for opening your workshop, Frank! There's some good workmanship there and you are definitely making progress.

Classified Ad: Alex Culvenor

I wish to advise Chapter 20 members that I have available a good, reliable, Lycoming 0-320 E1 A engine and matching C/S prop ex my Mustang 11. In airframe for next few weeks and can be running. Anyone interested, phone 03 5476 2288

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Chapter Tool Bank

Hard to borrow or expensive tools you won't use often, \$5 hire & postal (if applicable) charges will be billed by the Treasurer.

- ▶ No. 6 and No. 8 Dimple dies
- ▶ Flaring tool
- ▶ Tube bender
- ▶ Rotary Coax Stripper (\$free)
- ▶ Instrument hole cutter & template 2 1/4" & 3 1/8"
- ▶ Propeller wrenches 5/8" & 3/4"
- ▶ Electric hot water urn

Lycoming/Continental Service Tool Package

Hire charge \$5 per item or get the lot for \$10

- ▶ Oil filter wrench
- NEW!**
- ▶ Spark Plug Cleaner
 - ▶ Oil Filter Can Cutter
 - ▶ Spark Plug Gap Gauge
 - ▶ Gapping Tool for Massive Spark Plugs

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September & October Newz editions:

Terry Dovey is filling in as editor whilst Norm is in the USA for a few weeks, including RENO! Show Norm that we can fill a Newz by sending your material to Terry!